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NEW YORK PRIEST WRITES FOR COUGHLIN UNDER PSEUDONYM

"Leon Hamilton" of Social Justice is Father Duffee

The Hour learns that "Leon Hamilton," whose name frequently appears among the contributors to Father Coughlin's *Social Justice*, is in actuality Father Jean Baptiste Duffee, brother at the New York Franciscan Friars' Church. Father Duffee also writes the column "News Behind the News" in the *Brooklyn Tablet*.

In Coughlin's weekly "Hamilton"-Duffee has written numerous articles of an intricate political nature, and many of these have set the political line on various problems for the readers of *Social Justice*. In the issue of November 7, 1938, he had a full-page article entitled "Along the Popular Front," in which he attacked the Jews, bunched together Communism and "such financiers as the Schiffs and Warburgs, the Kuhns and Baruchs," and followed the Nazi tactic of harping on "Jewish war-guilt" in case war was to break out in Europe. On October 25, 1939, the program of the Father Coughlin Birthday Ball held at Prospect Hall in Brooklyn carried a long laudatory inscription signed by Father Duffee as Duffee and not as "Hamilton." The Ball was arranged by the Christian Front, seventeen of whose members are now under arrest on charges of plotting to overthrow the United States Government. The latest article in *Social Justice* to be signed by "Hamilton"-Duffee appears in the issue for January 29, 1940.

"Hamilton"-Duffee is also known to be in frequent contact with various Russian anti-Semites in this country, most notably with Boris Brasol, the White Guard émigré who is alleged to have brought into the United States, in 1924, the first copies of the anti-Semitic forgery, *The Protocols of the Learned Elders of Zion*. The publication of this Forgery in Father Coughlin's weekly coincided with the time when Brasol and Duffee were seen together most often.

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PELLEY'S SOURCE OF PROTOCOLS

Father Coughlin's efforts in spreading *The Protocols* forgery in this country have been aided by the publishing house of the chief Silver Shirts, William Dudley Pelley, long a fugitive from the law of-ficers of North Carolina. Like Coughlin, Pelley said that he did not

claim that The Protocols were either authentic or forged. The Silver Shirter announced that he sold the booklet "for the convenience of interested readers who may wish to compare events happening nationally with the alleged Program of Judah which the Protocols are claimed to propound." Pelley might have gotten his first knowledge of the anti-Semitic forgery at its original source, in the territory of the Russian White Guards; according to his own admission, in 1918 when "the Siberian Intervention was decided upon, Pelley got into khaki and went up into Siberian Russia, campaigning with the Japanese troops," and thus "was first compelled to take note of the Jewish sponsorship of Communism." Now that Pelley has "surrendered" to the Dies Committee, the authorities of North Carolina demand his extradition as old charges of stock frauds perpetrated in publishing such anti-Semitic and anti-democratic literature still stand against him.

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MASON HOBBS BORROWS IDEA OF CONCENTRATION CAMPS FROM ANTI-MASONS HITLER AND MUSSOLINI

Camps for "Undeportable Aliens" First Established by Nazis

The author of the Hobbs Concentration Camp Bill (H.R. 564) is Congressman Samuel Francis Hobbs, representing the 4th Alabama District. He is a graduate of a military institute, which may explain his fondness for military measures in dealing with social problems. His bill would create concentration camps for those non-citizens who cannot be deported because passports cannot be obtained to effect such deportation. In certain cases, these undeportable aliens would be kept in such camps for life. The Hobbs Bill has already been passed by the House of Representatives and favorably reported by the Senate Judiciary Committee. It is now on the Senate calendar.

Concentration camps in peace times for citizens and non-citizens alike have been widely used by Hitler and Mussolini. The practice of having special places of detention for undeportable aliens was first introduced by the Nazis for "stateless Jews," that is, non-German Jews who had lost their old Polish, Rumanian and other passports.

An interesting sidelight is the fact that Congressman Hobbs is a Mason. It is well known that Hitler and Mussolini have declared all the Masons "enemies of the state," and many German and Italian Masons have been for years kept in just such concentration camps as Mason Hobbs would establish in the United States as a part of the American system of government. Generalissimo Franco, Dictator of Fascist Spain, also hates Masons and has, ever since the beginning of his emergence, carried on extremely rigorous persecutions of all those Spaniards who have been suspected of belonging to the Masonic orders.

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SENATOR REYNOLDS RECRUITS ALIEN-HATERS FROM AMONG
ALIENS' DESCENDANTS

Designates Boy-Salesmen As "Border Patrolmen"

"Border Patrolmen's Badges Ready," proclaims U. S. Senator Robert R. Reynolds of North Carolina in the January, 1940, issue of his pro-fascist monthly, The American Vindicator, published in Washington, D. C. He thus describes the reward which he hands out to young boys who solicit subscriptions to his publication -- a metal badge inscribed "Vindicators Border Patrol," the idea being that by getting subscribers to the Senator's paper the boys help to "patrol the American borders" against "alien undesirables." The January issue of the paper carries the picture of a boy from Carteret, New Jersey, named Joseph Cutter Merelo, "a Border Patrolman," 14 years old, whose "family has been in the United States since 1850."

Shades of the Know-Nothings

The irony of the situation, apparently escaping both the Senator and the boy's family, is in the historical fact that 1850 marked the beginning of the most rabid campaign of the so-called Know-Nothings against the newcomers of just such families as the Merelos. The Know-Nothings campaigned against the foreign-born Merelos in precisely the terms now used by Senator Reynolds, the Christian Fronters, and other fascist alien-baiters.

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PRO-NAZI DR. AUHAGEN BOASTS OF RECENT SUCCESSES

Says His "American Fellowship Forum" is Expanding

In a letter addressed to a prospective member, the pro-Nazi organization of New York known as the American Fellowship Forum boasts of its recent successes. Dr. Friedrich E. Auhagen, national director of the Forum and editor of its publication Today's Challenge, declares in the letter: "Our organization has grown from a local group of constructive-minded men and women into a national institution with members and friends in every state of the Union. Active branches of the Forum are already functioning in New York, Newark, Philadelphia, Springfield, Mass., Cleveland and Chicago. Groups in other cities are expected to join shortly." He then invites the prospect to join the Forum which, he says, needs "the active support of every constructive-minded fellow-American" and in turn supplies its members with "highly interesting material on current affairs from an entirely new viewpoint."

Nazi Consul As "Fellow-American"

How "fellow-American" this "newpoint" is may be judged from another letter, far more secret than the one signed by Dr. Auhagen. It is a letter, the photostat of which was recently published in a certain anti-Nazi publication of Los Angeles; addressed to Auhagen, it came from the

German Consul in Boston, Dr. Herbert Schold, on the Consulate's official stationery and under the Consul's own signature; in it, the Consul thanked Auhagen for his letter addressed to the Consul, praised Auhagen's magazine, and concluded: "I shall not neglect to telephone you the next time I am in New York so that we may discuss various problems."

The notorious propagandist in favor of Wilhelm II and Hitler, George Sylvester Viereck, is also associated with Dr. Auhagen's "American" group.

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NEW JERSEY KLAN IS OPENLY AGAINST JEWS

Burns Cross Near Synagogue -- Two Klansmen Arrested

Twenty hooded Ku Klux Klan night-riders burned a thirty-foot cross outside a Jewish synagogue in Roselle, New Jersey, last week, terrorizing the Jewish population of the area. Two of the Klansmen arrested by local police were later paroled for hearing on disorderly conduct charges. The Hudson County Klan leader, Dr. Young, said that there would be a "riot" if his men were not released when they came up for trial.

Klan leaders, when reached by The Hour for comment, stated that the Klan was going after the Jews because they "had been too damned fresh and too darned powerful in New Jersey politics." One Klansman said that if the burning of the cross outside the local synagogue "doesn't shut the Jews up, we'll cut a few throats and see what happens."

Hundreds of leaflets were distributed by the Klansmen as they burned the cross. The leaflets charged that "all Jews are Communists or communistic," the same falsehood that was put forth by the fascist priest, Father Coughlin, of Royal Oak, Michigan. The leaflets also called for the registration of aliens and numerous repressive legislative measures to be passed against minority groups.

Klan officials also announced that they had reregistered 840 more members last week in New Jersey, bringing the total state membership to above the 36,000 mark.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ACTS IN SOUTH CAROLINA

The Department of Justice is expected to send two FBI men into Anderson, South Carolina, to aid the local Federal authorities in preparing the Government's case against Anderson's Klan chieftains who are scheduled to be tried shortly on charges of having prevented organization of trade unions in Anderson. Union officials, who pressed the complaint, charged that the National Labor Relations Act, which guarantees workers the right to organize freely into unions of their own choosing, was violated by the Klansmen. Shortly after United States Attorney General Robert Jackson took office, he sent his special assistant Thomas Dodd to the scene, and the ordering of G-men followed receipt by Jackson of Dodd's report.

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MEXICAN GOLD SHIRTS WANT TERRITORY**British Interests Involved**

The Gold Shirts, Mexican fascist group, have launched a propaganda drive to reannex the former Mexican province of Beliza, which for decades has been part of British Honduras. Democratic circles in Mexico were at first inclined to attribute major credit for this new campaign to the numerous Nazi agents in Mexico. In the past, conclusive evidence has revealed a close link between Hitler henchmen and the various Gold Shirt leaders.

However, it was soon noticed that the Gold Shirts have abandoned their former program for the return to Mexico of territory now within the United States. In explanation of this fact, Mexican liberals recall the testimony of fascist Henry Allen of California. Allen declared that an illegal trade in arms was going on between American reactionary organizations and their Mexican allies, including the Gold Shirts.

Behind the propaganda facade of the many fascist bodies in Mexico is the key problem of Mexican oil. War in Europe has intensified the three- and four-cornered rivalry of foreign powers to obtain control of the supply of petroleum from Mexico. The Hour's correspondent in Mexico reports that the Gold Shirts' anti-British move may be the work not only of Nazi foreign influence but also of certain other competitors of the British.

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NEW METHODS OF MEXICO'S ANTI-SEMITES

A new political party entitled the "Partido Nacional de Salvacion Publica" (National Party of Public Salvation) is fast winning a monopoly of the distribution of anti-Semitic literature and placards in Mexico. This party was formed shortly after September 1, 1939, following the outbreak of the war overseas. Since its formation there has been a decided slackening in the activity of uncamouflaged Nazi organizations. Investigation has proved that in all cases the Nazis have joined native reactionary groups, especially the "Partido Nacional."

Leading officials in the Mexican government are becoming the targets of this anti-Semitic propaganda, although these officials are, in most cases, non-Jewish. The more virulent accusations emanate from small unrepresentative organizations run by Nazi agents. Meanwhile General Almazan has openly declared that he has no interest in the "Partido Nacional." This statement followed an attack by the "Partido Nacional" on one of Almazan's leading supporters. Observers believe that this act by Almazan may indicate that he is breaking off his former friendly liaison with the Nazis.

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